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NOT A LOSER IN THE BUNCH- *el Don* held their first annual awards banquet on Friday, Dec.5 and 17 scholarships from the Rancho Santiago foundation were presented to students persuing careers in journalism. Dr. Jensen is shown with 12 of the full scholarsip award winners. From left to right are: Dr. Jensen, Toma Talamentes, Susan Anderson, Siobhan Wilson, Vince Lara, Richard Quintanna, Ron D'Avis, Dave Ross, Paula Martin, Denise Salazar, B.J. Martin, Julia Van Tiem, and Terri Collins. Also receiving scholarships were Lynette Martinolish, Lana Bowen, Richard Ackley, John Overall, and Joan Medina. **Rich Ackley/el Don**

Faculty Senate, Jensen meet -

discuss hiring, curriculum

by Kelly Ward
el Don

It was 2p.m. and all was not well at Rancho Santiago College. Over 50 faculty members gathered at an Academic Senate meeting to discuss several issues of concern with RSC Chancellor Robert Jensen.

The areas that were examined include hiring practices, curriculum cuts and the number of administrators at RSC.

"It is our understanding that we have the highest ratio of non-teaching employees to teaching employees in this county," commented Jim Harris, an English instructor who is currently vice-president of the Academic Senate.

"Jensen agreed that the number of managers on this campus should be reduced," stated philosophy instructor Robert Putman, who also attended the meeting. Putman said the difference is that the faculty advocates more drastic reductions in non-teaching employees than administrators.

Another area of concern was what faculty perceived as a lack of input in RSC's curriculum. At present, the curriculum council is under two-thirds control of the administration. According to Putman, the faculty believes that the curriculum should be their responsibility.

"It does not make sense for administrators to tell a geology instructor how to teach geology," Putman said. "We don't feel that the current system allows enough faculty input curriculum decisions."

"I think Jensen made a good effort," commented Ayaz Yusuf, history instructor, "but Jensen did not narrow the gap between faculty and administration."

"The most important point is that the discussion took place," said Putman. "It is a good sign. I was glad that these are policy disputes and not personal disputes."

"The meeting represented good dialogue between Dr. Jensen and the faculty and we look forward to further discussion in a similar forum," said Lee Mallory, president of the Academic Senate.

YWCA's homeless hotel

by Joan Medina
el Don

By February 1987, there will be 40 less homeless women in the Santa Ana area when the YWCA's Hotel for Women is scheduled to open.

According to Dianne Russell, YWCA-South Orange County's program director, the hotel will provide short-term housing for single women."Besides beds, (the hotel) will provide other amenities that people take for granted, such as shower facilities and personal items," Russell said.

Forty may not sound like a great number, considering there is estimated to be over 2500 homeless single women in Orange County alone, and that estimate does not include families or single men. But since the hotel is short-term, the main objective is to help the tenants get back into a productive and self-supporting lifestyle.

"Job training, an employment program for mature women (ages 30-65), and counseling will be available to the tenants.

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Final Examination Schedule

Fall Semester 1986

1. Classes are in session through Saturday, December 13.
2. Examinations will be held in the rooms in which classes customarily meet unless otherwise announced.
3. Day and extended day classes meet as scheduled below.
4. Administration of Justice and Fire Science final exams should be given during the first time that each class meets during the exam period.

Time	Mon., Dec. 15	Tues., Dec. 16	Wed., Dec. 17	Thurs., Dec. 18	Fri., Dec. 19	Sat., Dec. 20
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3 pm to 5 pm	Classes meeting 3:00 or 3:30 M, MW, MWF	Classes meeting 2:00 or 2:30 TTh, T, Th	Classes meeting 3:00 or 3:30 Daily, any four days WF, W, F	Classes meeting 3:00 or 4:30 TTh, T, Th	Classes meeting 4:00 or 4:30 Daily, any four days, MWF, MW WF, W, F	
5 pm to 7 pm	Classes meeting 5:00 M MW 5:30 M, MW	Classes meeting 5:00 T, 5:30 T	Classes meeting 5:00 W 5:30 W	Classes meeting 5:00 or 5:30 Th, TTh		
6 pm to 10 pm	Classes commencing 6:00 or later will have their final exam scheduled the first meeting during the exam period.					

Registration dates set

Early registration for students currently enrolled at RSC began Dec 8 and will continue through Dec. 19, in the Johnson Center, on the Santa Ana campus. Students can register from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Continuing students at RSC, who have received registration packets by mail can forward them directly to the admissions office. New and returning students can register Jan. 6 through Jan. 16 in the Johnson Center.

The RSC Spring 1987 Class Schedules have been mailed to residences and businesses in the district, additional copies are available in the admissions offices on the Santa Ana, Orange and Garden Grove campuses, and at the Centennial Education Center and the Orange Adult Learning Center.

Spring 1987 classes begin Jan 21, and early registration gives the students the best opportunity to enroll while the greatest selection of classes remains available.

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And the hotel provides the women with an address and telephone message service so they can properly complete job applications," said Russell.

"We are not promoting 'band-aid' work; the women need to make money, and continue to increase their income, in order to support themselves."

But for Russell and the staff at the YWCA's Women's Center, they find it is not as easy as just handing the homeless a job referral. "When you are wondering whether you will eat tonight and where you will spend (and hopefully survive) the night, a focus on job training is very difficult," commented Russell.

The holiday season can be a very traumatic time to the homeless, with the Women's Center staff noting an increase in depression and anger. An annual tradition at the Women's Center is their Christmas dinner. It not only offers a complete holiday meal, but gifts donated by the community are given out and the opportunity to socialize with others makes it home to those who have no one and nowhere to spend the holiday.

Unfortunately, the Women's Center must close for the night, and those that have nowhere tc go, go out into the streets.

Asked how it made her feel tc provide so much warmth and cheer, and then shut the door and go to her own home, Russell said, "It makes me feel rotten."

The Women's Center does not condone the offering by the staff of their own homes. "Sometimes it works out, but mostly you get burned by the people you are trying to help," Russell said.

Where do the homeless go? If they are lucky to have cars that run, they have a somewhat safe shelter from the elements outside (i.e. weather and crime), and cannot be cited for loitering or vagrancy by moving their car every so often.

Some go to 24-hour restaurants and stay as long as they are allowed; other seek little hideaways, such as stairwells and quiet alcoves, during the day and stash their belongings there until evening. To clean themselves, they frequent gas stations and restaurant restrooms, and some even sneak into public gyms in order to shower.

Juanita, an elderly lady, lives in her early 1970 2-door sedan with her dog and all of her possessions. Usually, she and another woman, living in her station wagon, are parked on the street in front of the hotel. But, because of the noise and congestion from the construction of the hotel, they have moved to another spot. They will be two of many requesting a bed in the new hotel.

"A lot of the women do have part-time jobs. They just don't make enough to rent an apartment," Russell said. A recent study by the Orange County Register noted that it takes about $2000 to move into an apartment, and then it costs an average of $500 per month for a one bedroom place.

The City of Santa Ana has acknowledged its problem and is looking for solutions on how to deal with the increase of its homeless, especially for economic reasons. Russell cited that Santa Ana is realizing that (the homeless) cannot just be "pushed out," hoping that the problem will go away, because every city is affected.

According to Russell -- Anaheim, Irvine, Newport Beach -- all have homeless people that need to be dealt with, not ignored or shipped to another city.

Campus Update

DON'T BE A SCROOGE!-There will be a drop box for the Toys For Tots drive located in the cafeteria of the Johnson center (second floor). When you donate a toy you become eligible to win a christmas dinner with all the trimmings, a shopping spree at Broadway Southwest, or a gift certificate from the Don Bookstore.

BRAINS AND BEAUTY: A GLAMOUROUS COMBO- Applications for the "Glamour's Top 10 College Women Competition 1987" are available in the Student Activities office.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE ASKING-The 1987-88 RSC Scholarship Program opened Nov.1 and they have over 50 Scholarships available for transfer and continuing students. Applications and info may be obtained in the scholarship office, S-104A.

MOVIE MANIA!-Interested in going to the drive-in? Well you can purchase a ticket that will admit one carload of movie-goers, not to exceed 6 people, for only $4. Tickets can be purchased in the students activities offices, and are good at any Pacific Drive-in theatre.

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR-So don't get caught by the cold and flu season that is upon us. Low cost care is available for those folks who are feeling a little under the weather, in the Health Center, located on the bottom level of the Johnson Center.

YOU BETTER WATCH OUT!- Or the California Highway Patrol will get you. Be a wise traveler this holiday season, by not drinking and then driving. And keep a friend from hurting themselves or someone else, by keeping them from driving dangerously.

KEEP AN EYE ON THINGS- Just because school is out for the winter break, doesn't mean that there is nothing happening for RSC students. There are plenty of club and sporting activities going on during the winter break. Check with the student activities office for information and see page 7 for a complete calendar of sporting events.

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To the staff and friends of *el Don:*

The party's over? So soon?

Well since this is the last issue of *el Don* for 1986 and the fall semester, I decided to take this time and space to say good-bye.

I want to thank everyone on the staff for the long hours and hard work they put in here at the office. Few people realize how difficult this undertaking is, so I am especially thankful for all of the staff members who stuck with the paper. Granted, we lost a few people over the past fifteen weeks, but I see it as the survival of the fittest.

A word of thanks goes out to the Journalism 121 classes, too. Your contribution to this paper has been invaluable and I am pleased that so many of you are going to be back in the spring, to work on the paper.

I would also like to thank Dr. Jensen and Dean Peachy for their support and encouragement. It seems that when everyone else on campus wanted to see *el Don* strung up by its feet, Dr. J and Burt were there, well, to be generally cool dudes.

Also, Robin Baten, from the fine and performing arts office is a pretty cool *dudette*, so I'd like to thank her too. Thanks Robin.

Brownie points go out to Bud "I am the adviser" Little. Bud is the faculty adviser for *el Don*.

He deserves to win the lottery. It would take the Lotto jackpot to pay Bud back for all that he has done for the journalism students and *el Don*.

I would like to also thank Lana (L.B.) Bowen, Joan Medina and Lowell (Bunky) Bennink for all that they have done. When it came down to the real nitty-gritty, L.B., Joanie and Bunky were the best. As far as I'm concerned, you three should be listed as demi-gods in the staffbox.

And speaking of the staffbox, I wonder how many people even read the names in the box? Everyone that was listed in the box this semester is deserving of a great deal of respect. It is pretty difficult to have your homework displayed every week, for public scrutiny.

I wonder too, if anyone noticed that Ron D'Avis's name was changed EVERY week? We did that on purpose to see if any of our readers would notice, we even called him Emelda one week. (Editors find humor in the stupidest things after they have been locked in an office for too long, without fresh air, pizza or Cactus Coolers.)

And last but not least, I want to thank my dogs. Okay, I know that I'm stretching things a bit, but when I staggered into my home, at 2 a.m. on Wednesdays, after eight or so hours of paste-up for the paper, Simba and Josh were always waiting for me at the front door. Their tails would be wagging at break-neck speed, as if to say "Hi Trac, we're glad to see you."

I was glad to see them too.

Well, I'm sure that there are dozens of other people that deserve to be recognized in this letter, but I'm afraid I can't think of them right now. (Call it editors burnout.) Those people know who they are (like my parents, Williams Printers, etc. etc.) and so I'll just finish this up by wishing every one a happy holiday and good luck.

C-yaaaaaa,
Tracie M. Elenz
Editor-in-chief

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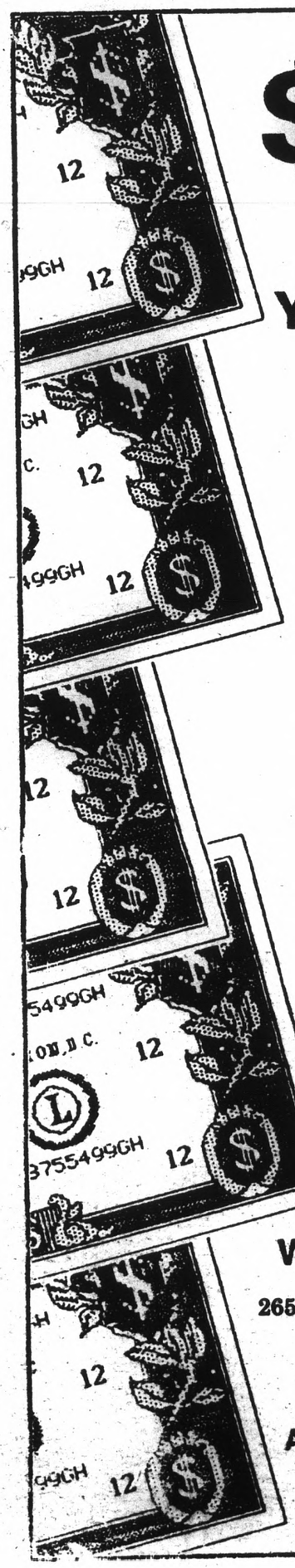
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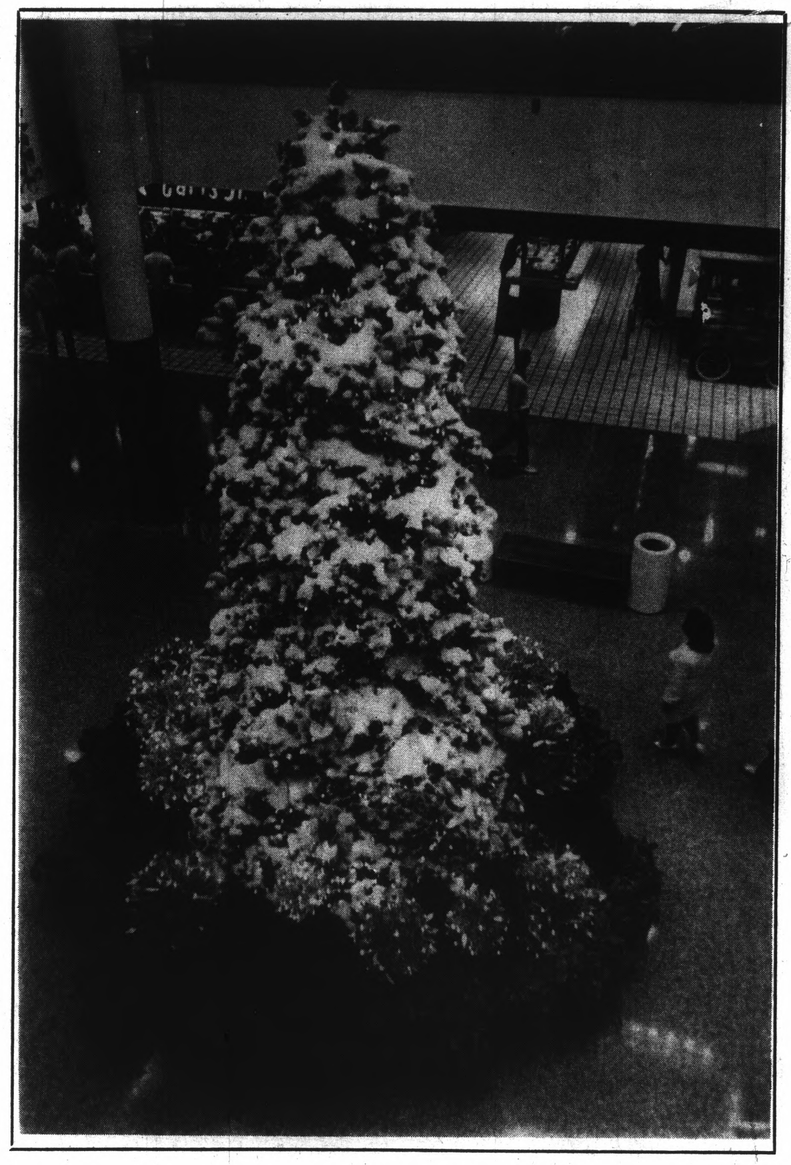
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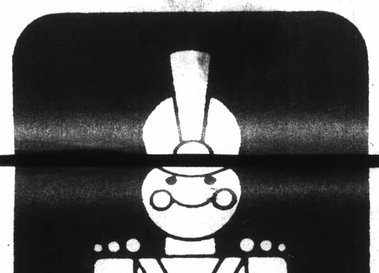


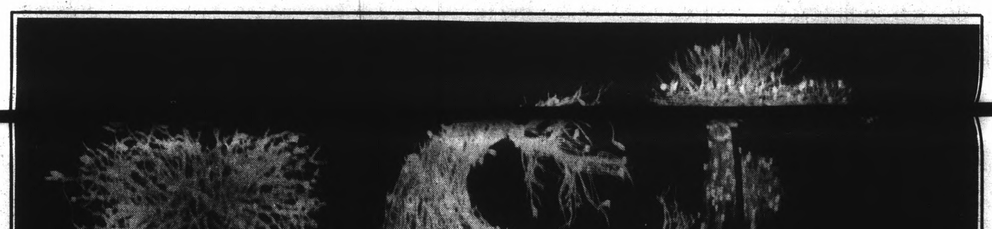


'TIS THE SEASON

A WINTER WONDERLAND- Holiday decorations in South Coast Plaza give the impression of a North Pole village. The plaza seems to be the busiest place on earth, south of the North Pole, this holiday season.

Photos by Vince Lara and Lana Bowen /el Don





by Tracie Elenz
el Don

And now that the holiday season is upon us, el Don would like to take time to wish the RSC community Seasons Greetings!

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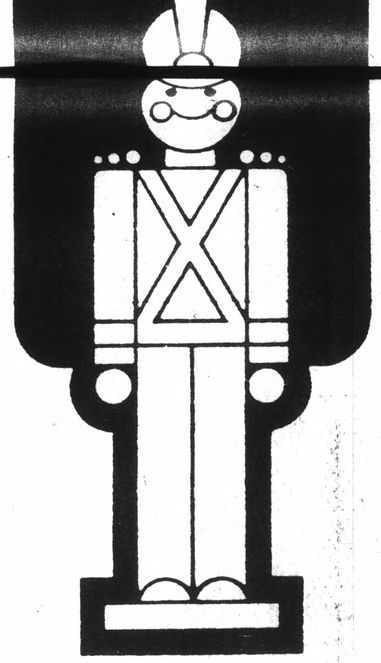
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Since the new year is sneaking up upon us and Chanukah and Christmas just around the corner *el Don* believes that this holiday season should not only be a time of joy for our readers, but a time for everyone in the RSC community to be a bit more socially conscientious. We encourage every one to participate in not only the Toys For Tots drive now under way in the Johnson center, but in all the donation drives currently underway all over Orange County.

Even if it is difficult for you to be able to contribute, you can brighten up an otherwise melancholy time for those who are without family or loved-ones to share the holidays with. Something as simple as sending a card of good wishes to servicemen over-seas, or to elderly patients in area convalescent homes, can make the difference between a lonely holiday and a reason to be happy. All good deeds must begin somewhere, and so why not with yourself?

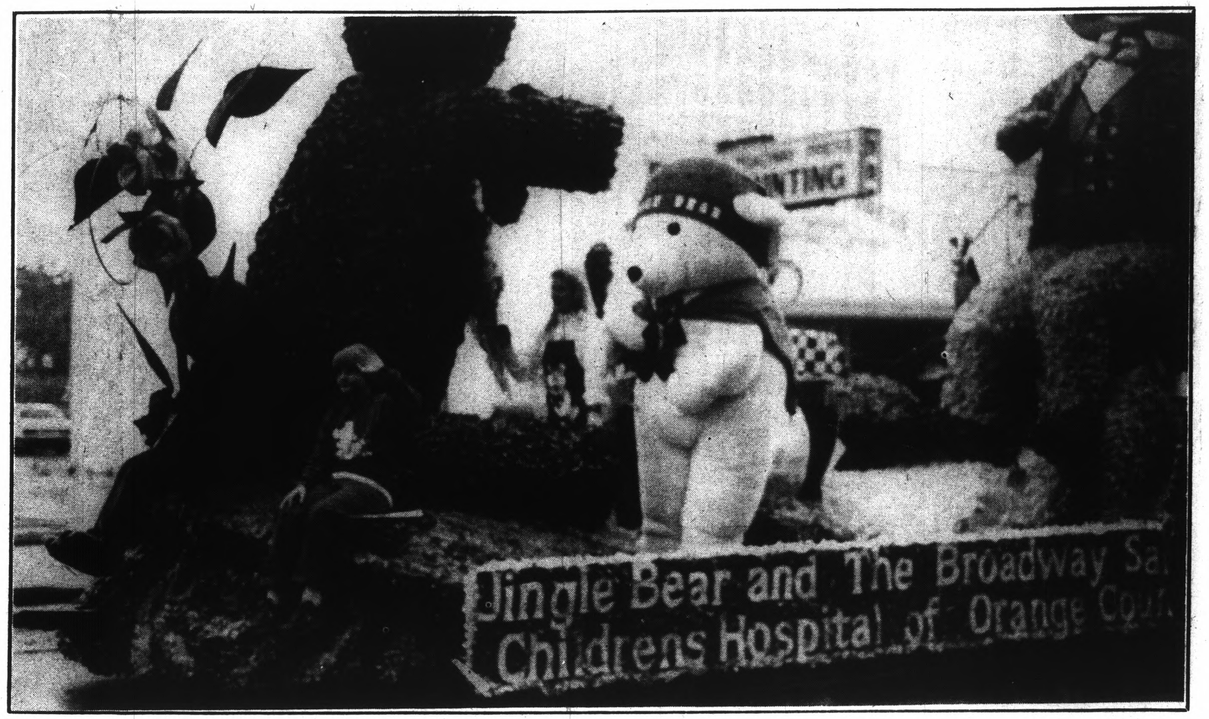
el Don wishes every one peace on earth and a safe and joyous new year. Happy Chanukah! Feliz Navidad! Joyeux Noel! Merry Christmas!







BABES IN TOYLAND- These childhood delights are just a few of the many things that will make dreams come true for some lucky children in Orange County.



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Holiday specials abound for joyous viewing



by Susan Anderson
el Don

Christmas is a special time and a time for Christmas specials.

Here are three classics you should watch if you have the chance. "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946) starring James Stewart. Stewart is saved from committing suicide by his guardian angel and is given the chance to see what his hometown would be like if he had never been born.

"Miracle on 34th Street" (1947) in which Macy's hires Kris Kringle to play Santa Claus. Kris brings alive the meaning of the holiday season to a pessimistic mother and daughter.

And there is "A Christmas Carol" based on the popular story by Charles Dickens with Uncle Scrooge and Tiny Tim.

Last year two new Christmas movies were produced for holiday enjoyment. "Santa Claus: The Movie," starring Dudley Moore as an elf who leaves the North Pole to prove his worth and win Santa's favor. All the while nearly destroying Santa's reputation. "One Magic Christmas," produced by Disney, portrays a Christmas angel who must bring the holiday spirit to a woman who has been plagued by personal tragedies. Both of these are being shown on cable television this month.

The Nutcracker ballet is fast becoming a holiday tradition. This year KCET is broadcasting the American Ballet Theatre production with Mikhail Baryshnikov in the lead. This will be shown on Sunday the 14th at 1 p.m.

For those who enjoy animation, there are many holiday specials to look for. One is "Amahl and the Night Visitors." Amahl is the story of a crippled boy and his mother who are visited by the three wisemen. The wisemen stop overnight at their small home on the way to Bethlehem.

Other animated specials to look for include, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer," "Frosty the Snowman," "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," and of course the Peanuts gang always has their Season special.

KCET will be showing "Christmas Eve on Sesame Street" on December 21, and "Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir" on the 14th. James Galway, renowned flautist, will have a holiday special and the Boston Pops will broadcast "Christmas at Boston Pops with the Vienna Boys Choir" on the 11th.

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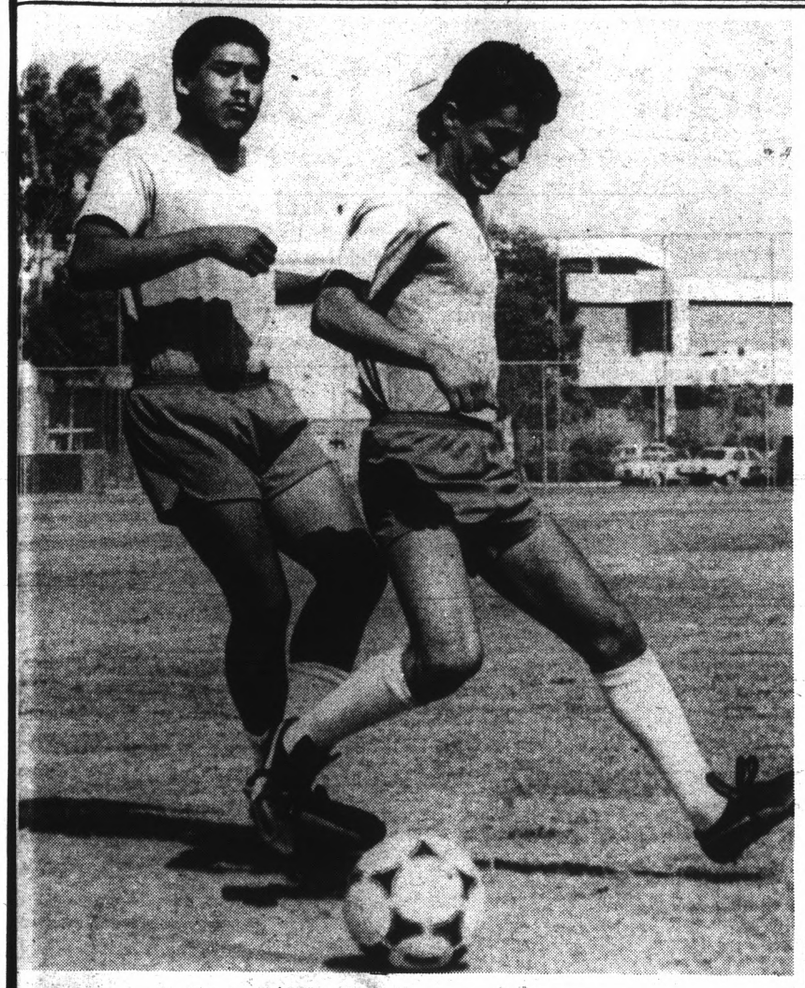
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Turn out the lights

by Lowell Bennink and Enrique Acevedo
el Don

Since the semester, and quite a few sports, are coming to an end, we thought it only fair for to update RSC's students on how their school faired.

Soccer- Justos Frutos' men's team captured their third conference title in four years, finishing the year with a conference record of 10-1-1 and an overall record of 15-3-2.

Frutos received Orange Empire coach of the year honors. The Dons placed four men on the OEC's first team and three on the second team. Augie Carbhjal took OEC MVP.

Football- With their best showing a few years, the Dons tied for third place in the Mission Conference, behind conference champion Riverside. They chalked up a 6-4 overall record and a 5-4 mark in MC play.

Water Polo- Finishing OEC play in third place behind conference champions Orange Coast, the Dons racked up an 18-7 mark overall and 9-4 mark in conference. Unfortunately, they were knocked quickly out of the Southern California playoffs.

Wrestling- These Dons faired well in '86, tying for third place in the OEC with Palomar taking the championship. Their final record ended at 7-3.

All of RSC's fall sports teams finished with their heads above the .500 water line, which is quite a feat for any major college to pull off.

Over the semester break, both men's and women's basketball will continue to play (see sports calendar below for places and times).

The lights may dim in RSC's athletic department, but they never go out.

Confessions of an addict

by Ron D'Avis
el Don

I'm an addict. There, I've admitted it. A few years ago, some friends wanted me to try it . I'd always wondered about it, so I went with them. I loved it. Yes, the time has come for me to face up to the fact.

I am a hockey addict.

Ice hockey is a sport that doesn't get much attention in Southern California. Sure, it has a small following of hard core fans, but it lacks the mass appeal of other sports. This could be for a number of reasons.

The National Hockey League has no national television contract, so games aren't available to the public on regular TV. It could also have something to with geography. Of the 21 NHL teams, only four make their home west of the Mississippi. Hockey is an eastern game.

Whatever reasons people have for not following hockey would disappear if they just went to a game. Hockey is one of the most exciting sports around. The players glide around the rink nonstop for 60 minutes. There are no time-outs, the action is continuous.

Scoring in hockey is quick and sometimes unexpected. In baseball, homeruns take a few seconds to clear the fences and then there is the home run trot. In football, teams move down the field so steadily that you know a score is coming. In basketball, there's so much scoring that you expect scoring to be poured in every minute.

Hockey goals come so quickly when they happen. That's the beauty of the game. There are no more exciting words in sports broadcasting than a hockey announcer saying, "He shoots... HE SCORES!"

Hockey fans are a different breed. They come looking for a fights on ice and are disappointed when there aren't any. When a brawl does break out, hockey fans go absolutely bananas. Some players have been known to come up into the stands after the fans.

I know of no other fans who boo the arena organist when he is introduced between each period. Hockey fans at the Forum do this naturally.

Hockey plays right into the hands of the fans. The league says fighting must stop, but they don't do anything about it. When two players square off, the referees won't try and stop the fight until both players fall to the ice.

The NHL also has the referees wear their names on their backs. This allows the fans to taunt them by name instead of using the generic term "zebra."

Hockey also features the toughest job in sports. What kind of person would want to stand in front of a net and have people shoot an inch-round piece of hard rubber at them. Goalies must face this scene 20 to 30 times a game. Sometimes the puck flies at them at over 100 miles-per-hour.

What a way to make a living.

I'm an addict and proud of it. I'm here today to extoll this sport so others may experience the same euphoria that I've found from this sports played by ugly men with no front teeth. Try it just once and you'll be hooked like me.

Winter-break sports calendar

All sporting events listed here take place at RSC's Santa Ana campus (17th Street and Bristol) unless otherwise noted.

Dec. 12-
Women's Basketball: vs. Antelope Valley, 4 p.m.

Dec. 13-
Men's Basketball: vs. Azuza, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 17-
Men's Basketball: Cypress Tournament (until Dec. 19), time to be announced, at Cypress.
Women's Basketball: LA Trade Tech Tournament (until Dec. 20), time to be announced, at LA Trade Tech.

Dec. 22-
Women's Basketball: vs. Chaffey, 4 p.m.

Dec. 23-
Men's Basketball: vs. Mary-mount, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 26-
Women's Basketball: at San Bernardino, 1 p.m.

Dec. 27-
Men's Basketball: RSC Holiday Classic (until Dec. 30), time to be announced.

Dec. 30-
Women's Basketball: vs. Southwestern, 1 p.m.

Jan. 2-
Women's Basketball: at Mt. SAC, 4 p.m.

Jan. 3-
Men's Basketball: vs. Mira Costa, 7:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball: at Cerritos, 5:30 p.m.

Jan. 8-
Men's Basketball: vs. MCAS Tustin, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 10-
Men's Basketball: at Pomona Pitzer, 6 p.m.

Jan. 14-
Men's Basketball: at Riverside, 7:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball: vs. Riverside, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 16-
Women's Basketball: at Orange Coast, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 17-
Men's Basketball: vs. Orange Coast, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 23-
Women's Basketball: at Cypress, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 24-
Men's Basketball: vs. Cypress, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 28-
Men's Basketball: at Citrus, 7:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball: vs. Citrus, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 30-
Women's Basketball: vs. Saddleback, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 31-
Men's Basketball: vs. Saddleback, 7:30 p.m.

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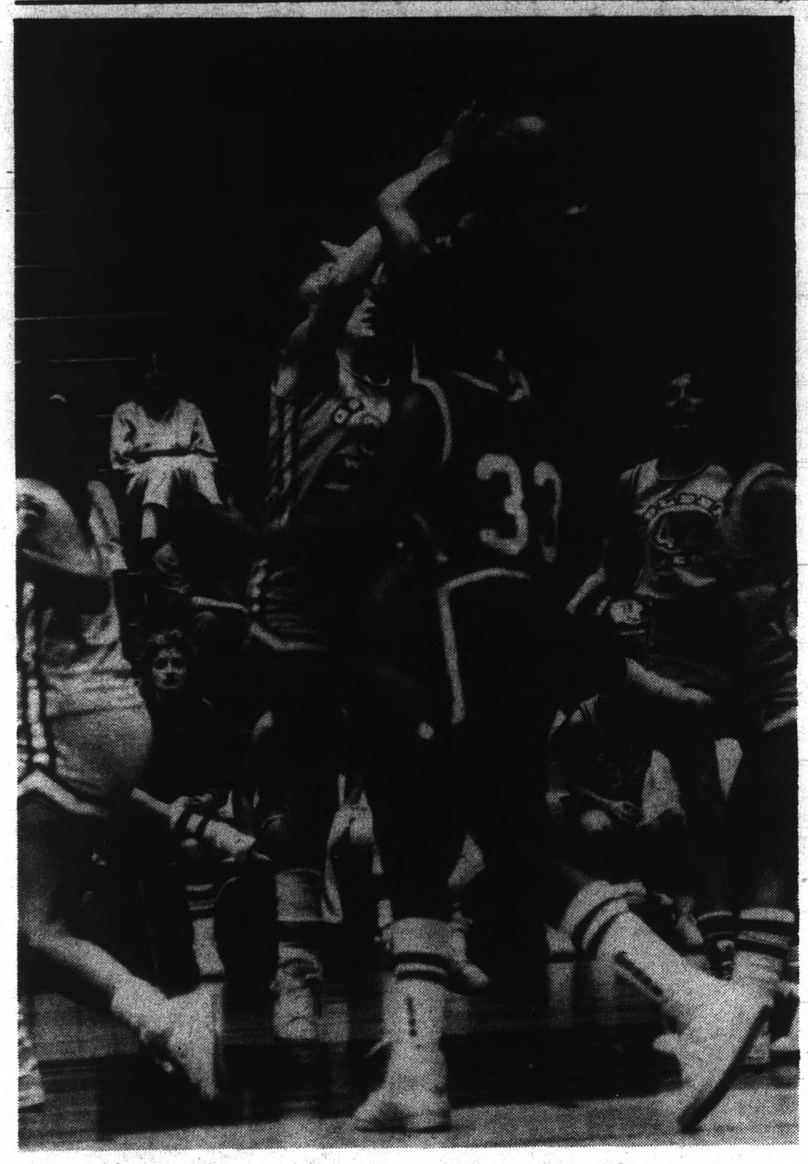
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HEAD AND SHOULDERS ABOVE THE REST — Leah Palmer (with the ball) goes high above Golden West to score for the Dons as Demerial Gibson (33) looks on.
Lucien Philbrick/el Don

Not a 'chair'–ity team

by John Overall
el Don

It is time for practice and RSC women's basketball coach, Myrond Brown checks his list: notes, basketballs, whistle, chairs.

Chairs?

That's right, chairs are a regular part of practice for Brown's team.

"When you don't have 10 players, you have to have something to go around," Brown said.

Currently the team only has nine players. At times Brown will run practice with as few as six team members.

This doesn't allow for the most productive practice sessions, but the unusual workouts seem to be working well.

As of Monday the team's record was a respectable 5-3 and Brown had led them to two tournament consolation titles.

In tournament play, a team that loses its first game continues the tournament in the losers bracket. Unfortunately the Dons had to settle for this road, but were able to win the next two games to win the Fullerton Tournament and the Tournament of the Sun in Pheonix.

"The teams we lost to were very tough except the first game this year (against El Camino)," Brown said. "We should have beat them, we just werent ready to play."

Brown has been at RSC for 17 years and has been the women's basketball head coach for the past seven years.

This year's start has been very encouraging for Brown. Following last year's 12-17 record and eighth place finish, Brown is hoping to reach the playoffs this year.

Playing in the new Orange Empire Conference, Brown feels the Dons have a good chance for postseason play. "If we don't have any injury problems, we should have a good chance of making the playoffs," Brown said.

Only the top two teams in the conference will qualify for the playoffs. Brown is expecting tough competition from Riverside, Cypress and Orange Coast for the berths.

Brown said, "Riverside was undefeated last year and won state, I think they are undefeated again this year."

If the Dons are to advance to the playoffs they will have to rely on the five regular starters.

Returning from last year's team are 6'2" center, Robyne Hemmingway; 5'8" forward, Leah Palmer and 5'6" guard, Holly Wood.

Filling in the two remaining starting positions are two freshmen, Demerial Gibson, and Cathy Smith.

Michelle Ferguson started this year as a key player for the Dons, but she has not seen much action since the second game when she injured her right knee.

Brown has not named a regular team captain this year, instead he names a different sophomore captain for every game. "This is more comfortable with me," Brown said. "I don't want someone wearing the label of captain that doesn't really deserve it."

With a winning record, the coach is hoping to bring out more fans to the games. The Dons tangle with Antelope Valley today at 4:00 p.m. at RSC.

Come on out and pull up a chair. Brown won't need them for the game.

